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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/568,337
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP/2004/009067	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 August 2004 (12.08.04)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 13 August 2003 (13.08.03)
TITLE OF INVENTION Expression vectors, transformed host cells and fermentation process for the production of recombinant polypeptides		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US WINDISCH, et al		

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (See Form PCT/IB/308)
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (original or copy) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included.

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
 A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. A substitute specification.
16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. A second copy of the English language translation of the International application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. Other items or information: Postcard

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The following fees are submitted:

21. Basic national fee. APR 12 2006 \$

22. Examination Fee
If International preliminary examination report was prepared by USPTO
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All other situations. \$

23. Search fee
If Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international
application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority. \$
If International Search Report was prepared and provided to the Office. \$
All other situations. \$

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)		+ \$ 360	\$	

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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property	+ \$	

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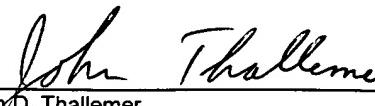
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- a. A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$130 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.
- c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

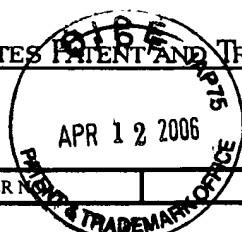
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

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- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/13/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/13/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 02/13/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/13/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 02/13/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 02/13/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 02/13/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 02/13/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/13/2006
- Specification filed on 02/13/2006
- Claims filed on 02/13/2006
- Abstracts filed on 02/13/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

DOCKETED FOR: May 22, 2006

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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